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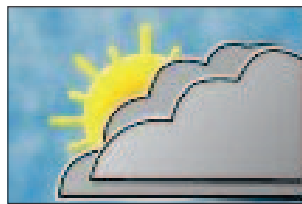
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Making a difference

Victim Services schedules volunteer training for prospective advocates

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

It's called making a difference.

If you have a desire to do just that, Victim Services of Big Spring needs you.

Victim Services, which provides support services for vic-

tims of domestic abuse and other violent crimes, will be conducting its annual volunteer training during two sessions in October.

Those training sessions will be held Oct. 15-17 and Oct. 22-24 and the agency is now looking those interested in serving as volunteers in Howard, Borden,

"We want someone who is caring ... and who wants to make a difference in someone's life."

—Linda Perez, Victim Services volunteer coordinator

Glasscock, Martin and Mitchell counties.

Linda Perez, Victim Services'

volunteer coordinator, said the volunteers — or "victim advocates," as she calls them — are

the backbone of the organization.

"They are the reason we're able to be here 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year," she explained. "We call our volunteers the heart of our organization. Only through

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Vets, public to hold POW/MIA ceremony Friday

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

With the nation's focus squarely on the war in Iraq and Afghanistan, one Big Spring group wants the U.S. military's prisoners of war and missing in action to know they are not forgotten, a theme they hope to hammer home Friday during a special ceremony.

Vietnam Veterans of America will sponsor a recognition day for our nation's prisoners of war and missing in action



Boling

from all American wars at the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial Friday at 6 p.m.

"We've been holding this ceremony ever since the Vietnam Memorial was built," said committee member Clarence Hartfield Jr. "We try to do it on the third Friday

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Police and emergency crews responded to a two-vehicle accident that occurred on East 16th near the intersection of State Street Tuesday afternoon. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with undisclosed injuries.

On the move

YMCA sponsoring program to motivate fight against obesity

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Put down the remote.

Get off the couch.

Lay off the second helping of french fries.

The local YMCA wants you to do that and more starting Saturday when it sponsors America On The Move Week, part of the Y's overall effort to motivate people to combat obesity, which is increasing in both adults and youth.

Pete Thiry, executive director of the local YMCA, said the organization will provide free access to its services and activities during the week.

"It'll be like an open house all week long," Thiry said. "All people have to do is show up at the front desk and register so we can track their participation."

Thiry said an estimated 50 million Americans classify as obese. Worse,

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Thiry

Staff Sgt. Bobby Newton plans career in military



Bobby Newton

By LANE BOND

Special to the Herald

Coahoma graduate Bobby Newton has been in the U.S. Army almost since graduation day in 1999, and will soon become a 1st sergeant.

He has been pictured on our Wall of Heroes from the beginning, as his picture was provided by the webmaster of Coahoma ISD's Web site, Chance Clanton.

The picture shown here was recently provided by his mother, Donna

Newton, who is a teacher at Coahoma ISD.

Donna also sent this note about Bobby's military career:

Army Staff Sgt. Bobby Newton has recently returned from his third tour in Iraq. Bobby is a mechanic and is the shop foreman with the 1st Maintenance Company at Fort Reilly, Kan.

Bobby has served in the U.S. Army for seven years. Four of those years were with the 51st Transportation Mainte-

Troop Salute

ance Company in Manheim, Germany and then he served three years in Iraq.

Bobby plans on making the U.S. Army a career. In January, he will be attending school for his First Sgt. Rank in Maryland.

Bobby is married and has two children."

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Donna is the first rela-

tive to send in a story about a loved one for this article. Do you have a story about your own family members in the military? For submissions or more information, e-mail lane@bondwebs.com, call (432) 263-4033, or visit www.bondwebs.com to learn more about Big Spring. Please leave your phone number or include it in your e-mail or letter.

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UW DINE OUT DAY

The United Way of Big Spring and Howard County is asking for the public to participate in Dine Out Day for United Way. Each Friday, a different restaurant agrees to donate a portion of their sales to United Way.

This Friday, K.C. Steaks and Seafood, N. Service Road I-20 W., is participating. Last year, the program was a successful fun-raiser for both the restaurants and the United Way, according to Ken McIntosh, chairman of the Dine Out Day event.

If a local restaurant wishes to participate and has not been contacted, they are asked to contact McIntosh at 517-4821 as soon as possible.

MARCY FREEDOM WALK

Friday at 8:30 a.m., Marcy Elementary will be culminating Freedom Week with a Freedom Walk around the school's campus.

Wearing our nation's colors, all students and staff will be participating in the walk and parents are invited to attend.

In their Social Studies classes, the students have been studying American history and the privileges Americans have to live in a free country.

At the end of the walk, students will gather around the hardtop on the south side of the building for a short program that includes the fourth grade classes singing a patriotic song.

MOORE TO CONVENE

The board of directors for Moore Development for Big Spring Inc. will meet at 5:15 p.m. today in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce board room to discuss a number of routine items, as well as welcome new board members Glenn Fillingim, Keith Ledford, M.D. and Glynnna Jones Mouton.

Included in the meeting agenda are consideration of financial and investment reports for August, election of officers and committee chairs and a director's report for 2006-2007.

The board is also expected to meet in executive session and consider a resolution for outgoing board members.



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Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Jonathan Hull at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

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IN BRIEF

Senior night for Steers on Friday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club and Big Spring High School Athletics is encouraging the public to attend Friday night's Steers game against Abilene Wylie as all senior football players and cheerleaders will be recognized before the game.

Game time is slated for 7:30 at Memorial Stadium.

Quarterback Club meeting Monday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club is meeting Monday at 7 p.m. in the Athletic Training Center.

All parents of Big Spring football players from junior high to varsity are encouraged to attend and help support the Steers' football program.

Disc golf tourney set for Sept. 30

The 15th Ever DiscOver Big Spring Disc Golf Tournament has been set for Sept. 30 at Birdwell Park.

Registration is from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. before the tournament. It is limited to the first 90 players and two rounds of 18 holes will be played.

Fees vary from \$15 to \$45 depending on division.

Contact Greg Brooks at (432) 528-5076 or e-mail him at gbrooks@apex2000.net for more information.

Area high school sports calendar

Here's a look at the area high school varsity sports' calendar:

FRIDAY

Big Spring football vs. Abilene Wylie, 7:30 p.m.

Sands football vs. Loop, homecoming, 7:30 p.m.

Grady football at Trent, 7:30 p.m.

Garden City football at Abilene Christian, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Big Spring volleyball vs. Kermit, 12:30 p.m.

Big Spring cross country at A&M Invitational at College Station.

Big Spring swimming hosting Black & Gold Duel at YMCA.

AUG. 25

Big Spring volleyball at Frenship, 7:30 p.m.

Big Spring tennis vs. Abilene Wylie in Sweetwater, 4 p.m.

AUG. 28

Big Spring football at Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m.

Forsan football vs. Iron Co., 7:30 p.m.

Coahoma football at Merkel, 7:30 p.m.

Stanton football at Anson, 7:30 p.m.

Garden City football vs. Lorenzo, 7:30 p.m.

Grady football vs. Water Valley, 7:30 p.m.

Sands football at Klondike, 7:30 p.m.

Call 263-7331, ext. 237, to submit sports briefs.

Defensive mistakes trip up Rangers

The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Over the years, the Minnesota Twins could count on Torii Hunter for offensive production and for Carlos Silva to eat up innings.

Both were on display again Tuesday night, but it very well might be the last time they take the field together in the Metrodome as members of the Minnesota Twins.

Hunter drove in two runs to set his career high for a season, Silva threw six solid innings and the Twins again took advantage of shaky defense by Texas to beat

the Rangers 4-2 on Tuesday night.

"It means a lot," said Hunter, who will be a free agent this off-season and has made it clear that he will be exploring his options. "Coming into the season everybody had individual goals and one of my goals was to have 100 RBIs. But we have 11 games left and I'm not stopping."

Silva gave up two runs and seven hits and struck out five. The right-hander will become a free agent this off-season.

A ninth-inning error cost Texas Monday's series opener. On

Tuesday, shortstop Michael Young made two of his three errors in an eventful third inning when the Twins took a 2-1 lead.

"The first one doesn't bother me as much because it was a pretty tough play," Young said. "But the next two were pretty basic."

Nick Punto led off the inning with a single and advanced to second on Young's throwing error.

Punto was thrown out at third during a rundown, but made the play entertaining.

Trapped in no-man's land between second and third after starting pitcher Kevin Millwood snatched Jason Bartlett's chopper out of the air with his bare hand, Punto made several jukes and fakes that caused Millwood to fall.

The veteran right-hander managed to still get a throw off to third baseman Travis Metcalf for the out, but he remained on the ground for several seconds to hide his embarrassment. Bartlett made it to second.

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Lady Steers drop district opener to Plainview

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Big Spring's Lady Steers probably envisioned a better start to their district volleyball schedule. However, Plainview's Lady Bulldogs had the same type of start in mind and put up the stronger performance on the court to make that vision become reality.

The Lady Bulldogs (19-8) dropped the Lady Steers (3-24) Tuesday night in straight sets — 25-15, 25-17, 25-16.

"We obviously let the ball hit the floor too many times, but some of those times could've been prevented," said Lady Steers' Head Coach Amanda Whitaker. "Plainview played with more hustle. They went have the ball harder than we did. They played like they wanted the win more than we did."

Callie Partee led the Lady Steers with eight kills and four blocks. Sophomore Macy Graves contributed three blocks.

Despite Partee's success at the net, Whitaker felt that she and other key players were taken out of the match by Plainview.

"Our biggest hitters were shut down," Whitaker said. "Callie and Hali (Torres) were shut down for most of the game. They had a tough time getting points on the board."

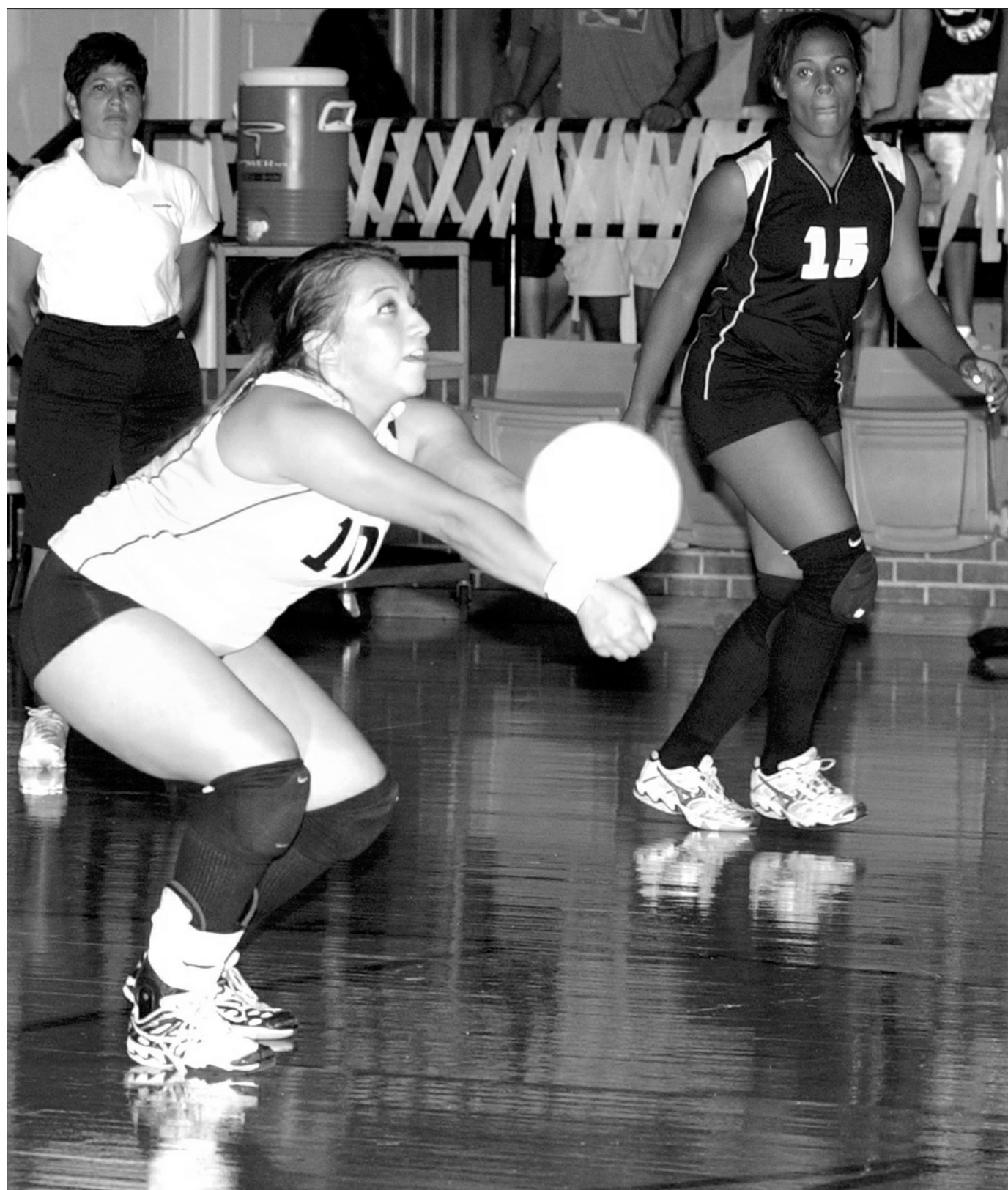
"We had far too many errors to win," she continued. "We were competitive despite the errors, but we could've won without them."

The Lady Steers committed 14 passing errors, 22 hitting errors and missed eight serves.

"The mistakes decided the game," said Whitaker. "We were just as good as this team, but it's hard to win when we make that many errors."

The Lady Steers take a break from district play Saturday when they host Kermit's Lady Yellow Jackets. Game time is set for 11

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Herald photo/Jonathan Hull

Big Spring's Clarrisa Carrisalez digs out a serve from a Plainview player during a District 4-4A volleyball match played Tuesday in the Big Spring Junior High gymnasium. Plainview defeated Big Spring in straight sets — 25-15, 25-17, 25-16.

Cowboys bring in the artillery, sign troubled Tank

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Suspended defensive tackle Tank Johnson signed a two-year contract Tuesday with the Dallas Cowboys.

Johnson, who played the last three seasons for the Chicago Bears, can't play for the Cowboys and won't be paid until he completes his eight-game NFL suspension for violating probation on a gun charge. He has served the first two games of that suspension and will still have to apply for reinstatement.

Johnson signed after visiting with the Cowboys and taking a physical. He will make about \$255,000 this season, the prorated portion of a minimum contract.

"For a lot of reasons, he really just felt the Cowboys were the right fit," said Johnson's agent, Jerrold Colton. "He's so thankful to them for giving him this opportunity. He is very determined to prove they made a wise decision in believing in him."

The team issued a news release confirming the signing and announcing that Johnson will discuss the signing in a conference call Wednesday.

The Cowboys also said that Calvin Hill, a former player who is now a consultant specializing in monitoring troubled players, will be available for comment Wednesday, as will coach Wade Phillips, owner Jerry Jones and Johnson's new teammates.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said the earliest Johnson would be eligible to play is Nov. 11 at the New York Giants, the Cowboys' ninth game of the season. Dallas has an open date in the NFL's eighth week.

Johnson could provide late-season depth on a defensive line that lost starting nose tackle Jason Ferguson for the year because of a torn right biceps in the opener. But Johnson will have to adjust to Cowboys' 3-4 scheme, which is different from what he's played in Chicago.

Although Johnson can't work out with Dallas until the week of the Giants game after his suspension ends, the team had to make room for him on the 53-man roster. The Cowboys released backup cornerback Nate Jones on Tuesday.

The Cowboys will place

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MCT photo/Scott Strazzante/Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Bears' Tank Johnson sacks Seattle Seahawks quarterback Matt Hasselbeck late in the fourth quarter at Soldier Field in Chicago Jan. 14. Johnson has signed a two-year deal with the Dallas Cowboys although he is not available to play until after week 8 due to a suspension handed down from NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.

Obituaries

Dr. Charles Norman Rainwater

Dr. Charles Norman Rainwater died Sept. 10, 2007, in Houston.

Charles was born in Bristow, Okla., Jan. 4, 1932, to Champ and Marjorie (Schrader) Rainwater. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1949 and joined the Navy during the Korean War. Following his military service he earned a bachelor of science degree from Texas Tech University, and subsequently a doctorate in dental surgery from the University of Texas.

Charles' passion was helping people, and he dedicated much time and energy to the following organizations: The Big Spring State Hospital, Shriners, Rotary Club, Masonic Lodge and St. Mary's Episcopal Church. He will also be remembered for his love of music, especially his participation in the St. Mary's choir, the Texas Tech band, as well as entertaining his family and friends.

He is survived by his sister Julie (Rainwater) Shirey; his four children, Charles Timothy Rainwater, John Sanford Rainwater, Katherine Elizabeth Rainwater and Joseph Harlen Rainwater; his grandchildren, Jessica, Garrison, Bryce and Claire; and his nieces, Jennifer Shirey and Brenda Hays.

Funeral services will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Big Spring on Friday, Sept. 21, 2007, at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17 Chicago, Ill. 60601-7633.

Paid obituary

Brent Henry



Brent Henry, 28, of Big Spring died Sunday, Sept. 16, 2007 in Lubbock. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, 2007, at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born July 23, 1979, in Big Spring to Janis and Robert Henry. He grew up in Amarillo and was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He graduated from Amarillo High School in 1996 and attended Amarillo College. He moved to Big Spring in 2005. He was a web designer for KBST, Keep Big Spring Beautiful and the Big Spring Symphony.

He is survived by his brother, Mike Henry of Big Spring; one sister, Robyn Michelle Ferguson of Amarillo; two nieces; and one nephew.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Lottery

ATLANTA (AP) — The jackpot in the multi-state Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to \$60 million Friday.

The winning numbers from Friday's drawing were: 20, 24, 31, 34 and 49. The Mega Ball number was 8.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. today:

- **JEREMY MYERS**, 27, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second offense.
- **SANDY HERNANDEZ**, 25, of 1514 Sycamore, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **STEPHEN GAY**, 23, of 1509 Wood, was arrested Tuesday on charges of driving while license invalid, accident involving damage to a vehicle, failure to yield and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- **FRANK JACKSON**, 48, address not provided, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of evading arrest/detention.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of Washington.
- **FORGERY** was reported in the 200 block of FM 700.
- **EVADING ARREST/DETENTION** was reported in the 100 block of 22nd Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - in the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane.
 - in the 1400 block of Goliad.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 400 block of Hillside.
- **ASSAULT BY CONTACT** was reported in the 100 block of 22nd Street.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 61 inmates at the time of this report.
- **SHERRIE ANN THOMPSON**, 22, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest/detention and a probation violation.
- **ROBERT RAMIREZ**, 26, was arrested Tuesday on a motion to revoke probation for theft by check and a Harris County warrant for delivery of marijuana and a Montgomery County warrant for failure to appear - aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- **JAMIE DE-AN DANIELS**, 29, was arrested Tuesday by DPS on charges of possession of a controlled substance, failure to maintain proof of financial responsibility and no valid inspection certificate.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported near the intersection of 16th Street and State. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 3300 block of E. FM 700. Service refused.

Bulletin Board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

TODAY
• Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

THURSDAY
• Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.

Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Southeast Winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. Light and variable winds becoming southeast around 10 mph in the afternoon.

Friday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s.

Saturday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 60s.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s.

Monday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s.

Monday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s.

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a.m.
Big Spring resumes district play Tuesday on the road against Frenship's Lady Tigers.

"Games aren't going to get easier this season," Whitaker said. "We're talented enough to play, but we haven't proven to be mentally tough enough."
Assistant Coach John Sparks agrees.

"We need to get tougher mentally throughout the program," Sparks said. "Being mentally tough would make a lot of different throughout the program, from freshmen to varsity."

Notes: In earlier action Tuesday night, Plainview's junior varsity and freshman teams made a clean sweep of Big Spring on the volleyball court. The freshmen were dropped, 26-24, 25-17, and the junior varsity faltered, 25-18, 25-13.

In volleyball action Monday night, both of the eighth grade teams were defeated by Lamesa.

The B team lost 25-10, 25-11. Rebecca Loya was top server with six points.

The A team was defeated 25-6, 26-24. The Lady Steers couldn't get anything going the first game but came back to play a good second game. Cassie Boehringer was top server with five points.

Bridgette Truitt played a good defensive game and Cerbi Ritchey played good offensively.

The seventh grade teams fared a little better with the B team winning, 25-21, 25-16. Top servers were Taylor Johnson with 15 points and Ayanna Gomez with 10 points.

The A team was defeated 25-9, 16-25, 25-10. Hayley Dimajadan played good defensively and also hit three kills.

The seventh grade will be in a tournament this weekend in San Angelo at Glen Middle School.

The freshman and junior varsity teams will also play Saturday against Kermit in the Big Spring Junior High gymnasium.

Contact Sports Editor Jonathan Hull by calling 263-7331, ext. 237, or by e-mailing him at sports@bigspringherald.com.

RANGERS

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"I know Nick from Philly," Millwood said. "It was a fun play."

The fun didn't last long for the Rangers.

Jason Kubel followed with a grounder to Young, who threw it away for his second error of the inning, allowing Bartlett to score

Hunter then drove in Kubel and set a career-high with his 103rd RBI. Hunter added another RBI with a double in the seventh that gave the Twins a 4-2 lead.

Joe Nathan worked the ninth for his 33rd save.

Young committed his third error trying to turn a double play in the sixth.

The Rangers took a 1-0 lead in the third on Ian Kinsler's RBI groundout.

Kinsler dropped a pop fly in the bottom of the ninth to cost his team the series opener against Minnesota.

"We didn't put ourselves in real good situations tonight," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "When we were playing well, we put ourselves in good spots."

Texas had a chance to take the lead in the sixth. With one run in and the

bases loaded with one out, Silva (12-14) coaxed an inning-ending double play from Metcalf. He knelt on the mound and pumped his fist several times before heading to the dugout.

Was the possibility that this could be his final start in the Metrodome on his mind?

"It was. I don't want to start thinking about it, but it was," he said.

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Johnson on the reserve/suspended list Wednesday, the earliest that move can be made. That will create a roster opening.

Jay Ratliff, a third-year player, replaced Ferguson as the starting nose tackle. Ratliff has five tackles, a sack and a fumble recovery for the Cowboys (2-0). Coincidentally, Dallas plays at Chicago on Sunday night.

In 46 games (15 starts) with the Bears, Johnson had 63 tackles, nine sacks and a forced fumble. He was a second-round pick out of Washington in 2004.

The Bears released Johnson on June 25, three days after he was pulled over by police in Gilbert, Ariz. He already had served a two-month jail term for the gun charge and been suspended by the NFL for violating the league's personal conduct policy.

Gilbert police closed the June case without charging Johnson, who was stopped for speeding. His blood alcohol level was .072, under the presumptive limit for DUI.

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell had said the suspension could be reduced to six games if Johnson had no further involvement with law enforcement and underwent counseling. That was before Johnson was

stopped in Arizona.

Last December, police raided Johnson's suburban Chicago home and found six unregistered firearms — a violation of his probation on an earlier gun charge.

That charge stemmed from Johnson's 2005 arrest after a Chicago nightclub valet reported seeing Johnson with a handgun in his SUV. He subsequently pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge.

Two days after last December's raid, Willie B. Posey, Johnson's bodyguard, was shot and killed in an early morning fight while he and Johnson were at a Chicago nightclub.

Johnson was suspended by the Bears for one game

for being at the club. He played in the Super Bowl when the Bears lost to Indianapolis.

During Jones' ownership, the Cowboys have taken on plenty of players whose character flaws have cost them jobs elsewhere.

They were successful with Alonzo Spellman, another former Bears player, in 1999-2000 but less so with Dimitrius Underwood in 2000-01.

Jones signed few players with off-field issues the past four seasons, when Bill Parcells was coach.

With Dallas off to a strong start after making the playoffs last season, Jones apparently sees this as a low-risk, high-reward gamble.

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OUR VIEWS

Let's all help UW making Dine Out Days a success

Very few of us really need an excuse for going out to eat on Friday, but just in case you need one, the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County has one — Dine Out Day for United Way.

Now in its fifth year, Dine Out Day for United Way gives local residents an opportunity to benefit the annual United Way campaign by having a meal at a local restaurant on Friday.

The participating restaurants donate a portion of their Friday sales to the United Way

So far this year, Herman's Restaurant, Al's and Sons Bar-B-Q and Dell's Cafe have been the featured restaurants.

This week's "Restaurant of the Week" is K.C. Steaks and Seafood.

"Everything a participating restaurant sells on Friday, a percentage will go to the United Way campaign," said Ken McIntosh, who is coordinating the Dine Out Day program this year. "This is a great way for people to help donate to the United Way by doing something they'd probably be doing anyway."

All day this Friday, as patrons of K.C. Steaks and Seafood, located on the north service road of I-20 West, enjoy delicious menu items, they will be contributing to help fund area agencies which provide needed services to the community.

McIntosh said currently two businesses are lined up for the series: Greg's Grill on Oct. 19; and Domino's Pizza on Nov. 16.

But that means there are still six slots open for local restaurateurs to sign up for, and there's no question McIntosh needs business owners thinking of participating to contact the United Way quickly. McIntosh can be reached at 432-517-4821 or call the United Way office at 267-5201

Funds from the annual United Way of Big Spring and Howard County support 15 area agencies which are the West Texas Chapter of the American Red Cross; Boy's Club of Big Spring; Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America; CASA of West Texas Council on Aging Meals on Wheels; Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center; the Howard County Humane Society Pet Therapy program; Isaiah 58; Northside Community Center; Salvation Army; Victim Services; Westside Community Center; Westside Day Care Center; West Texas Girl Scout Council; and the YMCA of Big Spring.

We ask our readers to do their part by taking the family out for dinner at least one Friday night at one of the programs' participating restaurants during the campaign. And if you're a restaurant owner and haven't signed on to be a part of Dine Out Day for United Way, we encourage you to get on board as well.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we listen to You, Lord, and Your will.

Amen

Our undemocratic primaries

It's not likely to happen in the foreseeable future because, to many politicians, tradition is more important than logic. But we need a national primary system that levels the playing field for all American voters.

How long will we allow the people of Iowa and New Hampshire to have a more potent vote than the rest of us?

Because the Iowa caucus and the New Hampshire primary come first, presidential candidates obviously pay much more attention to the people of those two states and the issues that concern them — issues that may not necessarily be as important to the rest of the nation.

Nevertheless, their preferential treatment is protected by our two main political parties — so much so that Democrats and Republicans are now threatening to severely punish states that step out of line.

It's illogical and undemocratic, but the rules of both parties are designed to allow only New Hampshire, Iowa, South Carolina and Nevada to vote before Feb. 5.

And when the Florida legislature decided to defy those rules by moving its primary to late January, both parties threatened to prevent Florida delegates from participating in their nominating conventions.

The Democratic National Committee announced its intention to strip Florida of its 210 delegate votes and the Republican Party threatened to cut the Florida delegation by half, from 114 to 57 votes. The same thing could happen to Michigan for scheduling a January primary.

But how can they penalize these states for trying to empower their

voters? Don't we live in a democracy? Aren't all American citizens entitled to have an equal say on who gets to sit in the Oval Office?

When Florida moved its primary to Jan. 29, South Carolina, not to be upstaged, moved its primary from Feb. 2 to Jan. 19. Iowa and New Hampshire served notice that if other states took similar action to empower their voters, they would move their caucus and primary to even earlier dates to preserve their unfair first-in-the-nation status.

All the recent jockeying by various states to bump up their primaries only proves that we need a much more organized, not to mention democratic, system of conducting presidential primaries.

The way things are now, and the way they have been for decades, voters in late primary states have very little say in nominating the two finalists for the general election. Even though their states are more diverse and more representative of the whole U.S. population, they find when it comes time to cast their ballot some candidates have already dropped out of the race and the party nominees have practically been decided.

For minority voters, the current system is a disaster. Since the black and Latino population is disproportionately low in Iowa and New Hampshire, minority issues are ignored during the first crucial months of every presidential campaign. African-Americans get to have some significant input when the current primary process gets to South Carolina, but Latinos have to wait longer.

In fact, on some issues — such as immigration reform or affirmative action — candidates are encouraged to take anti-minority positions, just to have a shot at winning the Democratic or Republican nomination. Since they don't fear a minority backlash in those early primary states,

they try to appeal only to white Americans.

And then politicians wonder why minority voters are discouraged, discontent and apathetic by the time we get to the general election.

The states' battle for earlier primary dates has gotten so out of hand, and the unfairness of the current system has become so obvious, that two U.S. senators would propose legislation that would set new national primary dates.

Not surprisingly, these two senators represent Florida and Michigan. The bill, co-sponsored by Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., and Carl Levin, D-Mich., would establish six regional primary dates — one in March, two in April, two in May and one in June. In each region, at least one state would hold its primary on those dates, and the order in which states would hold these primaries, or caucuses, would rotate every four years.

Of course, some will say that under this proposal, with every presidential election, some states would still get preferential treatment. And so perhaps the solution lies in creating a single national primary date.

Nevertheless, the Nelson-Levin bill deserves serious consideration.

Under their bill, the new primary system would go into effect for the 2012 presidential elections. There would be no more permanent preference for Iowa, New Hampshire, South Carolina and Nevada.

Americans in 46 other states would have a stronger voice in selecting party nominees, and we would all be able to claim that we live in a democracy that respects our equal right to vote.

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The party of George Soros

I don't think nearly enough has been made of the despicable MoveOn.org character assassination attack ad against Gen. David Petraeus and the Democratic leadership's striking refusal to repudiate it. If you want to see the face of the modern Democratic Party, re-read that ad.

The full-page New York Times ad, reportedly purchased at a radical discount, directly accused Petraeus of "cooking the books for the White House," called him "a military man constantly at war with the facts," and said he "is likely to become 'General Betray Us.'"

Let's you think I'm exaggerating, consider the comments of MoveOn's executive director, Eli Pariser. He said, "If you have a general who is being willfully misleading to the public and the Congress about the state of a military endeavor, that's a big problem."

Most Democratic leaders refused to condemn the ad. Some, like Hillary Clinton, independently echoed its sentiment. Clinton unmistakably called Petraeus a liar when she told him, "I think that the reports that you provide to us really require a willing suspension of disbelief."

Gone for now are the "Sister Souljah moments," where Democratic presidential candidates dress down the far left to appear more centrist to a credulous general electorate. If this ad proved nothing else, it showed that the Democratic Party is a wholly owned subsidiary of the George Soros empire.

With today's Democratic Party, we are witnessing the full-blown resurrection of the far antiwar left

of 1972, but with a sinister twist. This institution is more than the political vehicle for the antiwar movement and other leftist causes. It has become a highly refined and lavishly funded character assassination machine that relies more on ad hominem attacks than debating the merits of issues to win elections and advance its policy agenda.

Just think of the decent people whose characters it has attempted to savage: President George Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, Attorneys General John Ashcroft and Alberto Gonzalez, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, Judge Samuel Alito and scores of others, including most high-profile Bush judicial nominees. I can just hear the derisive laughter now from those allergic to my suggestion that these people are indeed honorable public servants. Such derision demonstrates the effectiveness of the left's relentless propaganda efforts.

Democratic war opponents, for example, could have argued the facts Petraeus presented. But with early reports of the surge's success, they had to counter with something more than an alternative perspective.

While Democrats cynically accused Bush of making the well-respected Petraeus his point man to sell the success of the surge, they used that very tactic in reverse. They tried to undercut the case for the surge by tainting its messenger, Petraeus, through association with Bush — saying he was merely Bush's mouthpiece, a charge Petraeus roundly refuted in his opening remarks to Congress.

You can be sure Democrats will ratchet up their attacks against Petraeus, and it will only be a matter of time before their endless efforts to discredit him seep into

the public psyche. What will have begun as another abominable lie will be believed by increasing numbers of people who place their trust in the Democratic Party and its mainstream-media echo chamber.

And why not? Somewhat like O.J. Simpson, Democratic leaders have not been held accountable for their misdeeds and obviously figure they can continue their chicanery with impunity. No one is above their smear machine if his or her actions interfere with MoveOn's, er, their agenda. It would be bad enough if the damage from these personal attacks were limited to their individual victims. But think about the effect of their slanders against Petraeus on the reputation of our armed forces. To undermine the commander of our forces in wartime Iraq is unconscionable and disgraceful.

It's undeniable that the Democratic leadership is in complete intellectual and tactical lockstep with George Soros's band of anti-military, antiwar radicals.

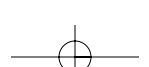
The Democratic Party has moved so far to the left it's amazing that it is in serious contention for the 2008 presidential race, notwithstanding the well-earned complaints against the GOP.

If Republicans were half as good with their communication machine as Democrats, Democrats would already be clawing back to the center right now and heavily handicapped going into 2008.

Think about the humorous, but revealing ad showing Michael Dukakis in a tank during the 1988 campaign, and that wasn't even during time of war.

Can you envision Hillary Clinton commandeering such a vehicle? How about the entire ship of state?

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Home Economics
• **"The Complete Book of Home Preserving"** (641.42 KIN J). It may be a little late to get your canned items all ready for the fair; however, the library has acquired "The Complete Book of Home Preserving" for future endeavors. Edited by Judi Kingry and Lauren Devine, there are many, many recipes for fruit, pickles, salsas, sauces, fruit and vegetables. Plus, many of the recipes will make four or five pints. You probably didn't see Tomatillo Salsa or Peach Salsa in granny's or even your mother's canning repertoire.

• **"Easy Does It: Cheap and Simple Ways to Solve Household Problems"** (640 FCA P) from FC&A Publishing. Trying to keep cats out of your flower beds? Sprinkle lemon peel or moth balls in them.

Fiction/Adventure/ Military

Here are a couple of war stories, told from two entirely different viewpoints, yet much the same.

• **"Hornblower and the Hotspur"** by C.S. Forester takes place in April 1803. The Peace of Amiens is breaking down and Napoleon is building ships and amassing an army just across the Channel from England. War is coming. Second book comes from the

Sharp series and is "Sharp's Fury" by Bernard Cornwell. The year is 1811 and Richard Sharpe is in the coast city of Cadiz, Spain under siege by Napoleon's land army. Both books are rousing yarns of war fought long ago with very different weapons that those we have today.

• **"Brave Enemies."** Robert Morgan has fashioned an absorbing Revolutionary War novel that features an unusually resourceful heroine. Disguised as a man, 16-year-old Josie Summers escapes from a life of madness and exploitation after murdering her sexually and emotionally abusive stepfather.

Traveling the Carolina back country, she crosses paths with John Trethman, an evangelical preacher who befriends the boy he knows as "Joseph." When John discovers that his new housemate is really a female, he is torn between anger and love. Hoping to absolve their sins, Josie and John privately marry, still keeping her identity a secret.

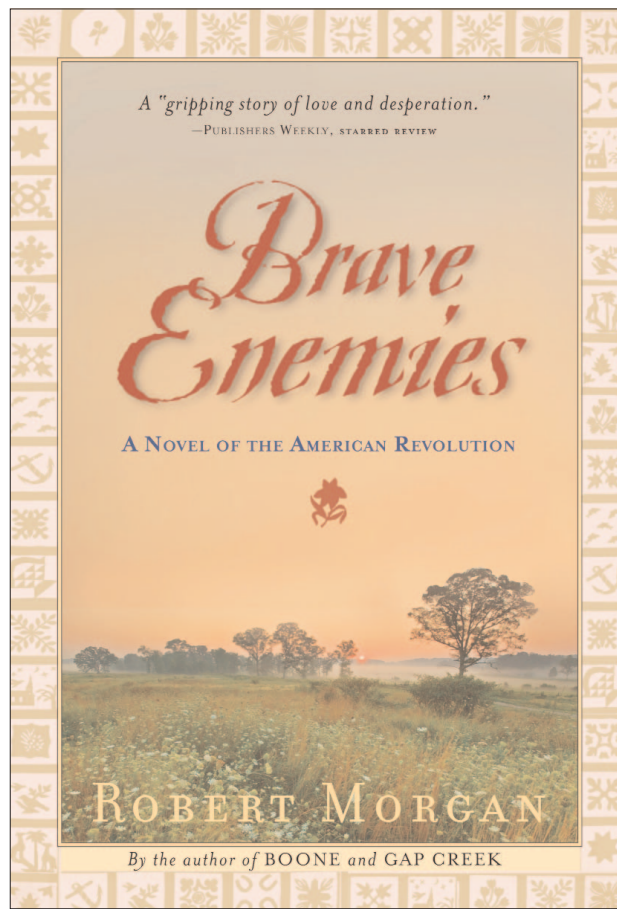
Shortly thereafter, John is kidnapped by British troops and forced to serve as their minister. After Josie sets out after John, she is forced into service as a member of the North Carolina militia, where she attempts to keep both her gender and her pregnancy concealed. Sustained by love and faith, Josie and John survive their respective ordeals, eventually reuniting on the heels of a horrific battle. The homespun dialogue and understated narrative authenticate this heartrending period peace. This was originally published in 2003, although we have just purchased it. The above review is from Booklist.

• **"No! I Don't Want to Join a Book Club"** by Virginia Ironside. In another Booklist review, Marie Sharp is about to turn 60, and unlike many of her peers, she has no interest in taking up paragliding or living for three months with a Masai tribe in Africa. She's intent on accepting this new phase of her life, which brings with it the freedom to do old things, such as getting a pension and free prescriptions and, as her neighbor helpfully points out, "tekkin' it eezee, man."

Marie, in fact, has such an easygoing attitude toward aging that her friends are constantly inviting her out to dinner and on vacation. She's also excited

about becoming a grandmother and babysitting for her grandchild, who has "the air of a very clean goblin" given to "laughing rather inappropriately." And though Marie has declared herself done with romantic entanglements, there's a very kind old friend, recently widowed, who has a crush on her. For Marie, old age is looking pretty wonderful. Ironside is pretty wonderful herself, offering a witty and, at times, poignant depiction of the challenges and freedoms that come with getting older.

Others to consider: **"The Afghan,"** by Frederick Forsyth; **"Lord John and the Brotherhood of the Blade,"** from Diana Gabaldon; **"Stolen in the Night,"** by Patricia MacDonald and **"Edge of Battle,"** by Dale Brown.



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Mysteries
Here are some new "old" mysteries, most of them are recycled McNaughton books. Fannie Flagg's **"Can't Wait to Get to Heaven,"** Martha Grimes' **"Belle Ruin,"** Lawrence Sanders' **"Hit Parade"** and Steve Martini's **"Double Tap."**

Come on down to the Library and see us Saturday. The Library will open its doors at 10 a.m. and close at 2 p.m. Visit the Farmer's Market early, go get a cup of coffee and then check out a book, book on tape/CD or even a movie that you haven't watched. The Internet/Video room closes 1/2 hour before closing. The Library is located at 500 S. Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. The Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us

Hollis McCright is director of the Howard County Library.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Sylvia Does It Again

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 8
♥ K J 7
♦ 9 8 7 6 5
♣ J 3 2

WEST
♠ Q 10 7 5 3
♥ 6 5 4
♦ K J 10 4
♣ Q

EAST
♠ 6 4 2
♥ Q 10 9 8 3 2
♦ Q
♣ A 10 9

SOUTH
♠ K J 9
♥ A
♦ A 3 2
♣ K 8 7 6 5 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♦ 1 ♥
2 ♣ 2 ♥ 3 ♣ Pass
5 ♣

Opening lead — six of hearts.

Personally, I never subscribed to the notion held by most members of the club that Sylvia's amazing triumphs were based only on good luck.

I always felt there had to be at least a modicum of skill present — even though I could not prove it — to account for some of the more remarkable results she achieved.

Most members contended, however, that Sylvia was in a class by herself when it came to such happen-

ings. They insisted she knew nothing at all about bridge, and that only a merciful Providence could account for the heroic feats recounted here from time to time.

In support of that contention, they would cite a deal such as this one to illustrate Sylvia's dumb luck. Sylvia, South, won the opening heart lead with the ace, crossed to the ace of spades and returned a low club to her king, catching West's queen.

The situation looked hopeless, since East had two trump tricks coming and Sylvia had two diamond losers. True, she could discard one diamond on the king of hearts, but the other diamond would constitute the setting trick.

But Sylvia, displaying her customary élan, carried on. She played the king and another spade, ruffing in dummy, and then led a diamond to her ace, forgetting to discard a diamond on the king of hearts. She was heard to gasp at this point, but it was too late to retract the play.

Sylvia now had no choice but to lead a trump. East cashed his A-10 but then, with only hearts left, was forced to return one into dummy's K-J. This allowed Sylvia to shed her 3-2 of diamonds and so make the contract.

Now I ask you, would you call this just luck?

Tomorrow: Upping the odds.
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Schooltime memories

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Cross-country slay spree suspect says he doesn't remember

NEW YORK (AP) — A man accused of a murderous cross-country rampage that left six people dead says he doesn't remember shooting five of the six victims and "never meant to hurt anybody in any shape or form," a newspaper reported Wednesday.

"All I hear is screams," Paul Devoe III told the Long Island newspaper Newsday in an interview at the Suffolk County jail in Riverhead, N.Y.

Devoe moved to Texas several years ago after spending much of his life on New York's Long Island, authorities said. Devoe was arrested last month after U.S. marshals tracked him to a friend's house on eastern Long Island.

He is accused of killing six people in Central Texas and Pennsylvania. Among them were his 46-year-old ex-girlfriend, Paula Griffith, and three others at a home near Austin in late August. A New York judge has ordered his extradition to Texas to face charges.

During the interview Tuesday, Devoe buried his face in his hands and wept as he recalled the events leading up to his arrest.

"I don't know," Devoe replied when asked if he was responsible for killing Griffith, her boyfriend, daughter and her daughter's friend. "If I am, I know I didn't mean it. I cared a lot about them."

Devoe said he went to Griffith's house because she was the one person he thought he could turn to after his gun accidentally went off in a Marble Falls, Texas, bar fight, killing the bartender. Of the six slayings he is accused of, he said he only remembers the bar shooting and he says that was unintentional.

After leaving Griffin's house, he said he drove through several states to Pennsylvania, drinking all the way. Authorities say he killed an elderly

woman there to steal her car.

"I am truly sorry for what I did and the people I hurt," he said. "I never meant to hurt anybody in any shape or form. I don't know what happened."

Police said previously that Devoe confessed to the shooting death of 81-year-old Betty Jane Dehart in Pennsylvania.

Devoe allegedly told investigators he pulled off Interstate 81 because of mechanical trouble with the stolen station wagon he had been driving. He found Dehart alone, sitting on the front porch of her Greencastle home, authorities said.

He said he pulled out a handgun and chased the retired seamstress into the house, where she ran to the bedroom and covered her face with her arms, according to his arrest affidavit. Afraid that her screams would alert neighbors, Devoe said he shot her once, police said.

He allegedly stole car keys and \$6 to \$8 from Dehart's purse, moved his belongings into her vehicle, and drove it away.

Devoe's relatives said he had psychological problems and suggested a reaction to snake bite medication may have set him off.

However, Devoe told Newsday that doctors prescribed the medication, but he never took it. Instead, he said, he went on a drinking binge. He said he had been bitten sometime in the week before the shootings.

"That's when everything went bad," Devoe said.

Judge in Phil Spector murder trial may allow jurors to consider lesser charge to break impasse

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The judge in Phil Spector's murder trial said he is considering giving jurors the option of

finding the record producer guilty of a lesser charge than second degree murder after the panelists reported a 7-5 impasse following seven days of deliberations.

Spector's defense team was expected Wednesday to vigorously oppose Superior Court Judge Larry Paul Fidler's expected proposal to help jurors break their deadlock, while legal scholars said a conviction on lesser charges could be vulnerable to appeal.

Fidler had previously rejected the option of letting jurors find Spector guilty of involuntary manslaughter rather than the second degree murder charge that has dominated the trial.

Spector, 67, a music legend, is charged with murdering actress Lana Clarkson in his Alhambra mansion on Feb. 3, 2003, a few hours after she met him at her job as a nightclub hostess and went home with him.

The defense maintains Clarkson, 40, was depressed and shot herself in the mouth either on purpose or by accident.

Asian stocks jump after Fed rate cut sparks Wall Street surge; Nikkei soars 500 points

TOKYO (AP) — Asian stock markets

soared Wednesday in the wake of Wall Street's overnight surge spurred by the U.S. Federal Reserve's larger-than-expected interest rate cut.

Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 stock index jumped 579.74 points, or 3.7 percent, to close at 16,381.54 points. Hong Kong's Hang Seng index was up a stunning 1,004 points, or 4.1 percent, at 25,581.13 in afternoon trading.

Stock markets in South Korea, India, Australia, Singapore, Taiwan and the Philippines also advanced, although Chinese shares faltered.

Investors across much of Asia were cheered by a rally in U.S. stocks Tuesday after the Fed cut its benchmark interest rate by a half percentage point to 4.75 percent, more than the quarter-point many had expected. The Dow Jones industrial average surged 335.97 points, or 2.51 percent, to 13,739.39 — its biggest one-day point jump in nearly five years.

The Fed's move reassured markets that have been volatile the last couple months amid worries that tightening credit conditions sparked by rising defaults on subprime mortgages might trigger a recession in the American economy — a vital export market for Asia.



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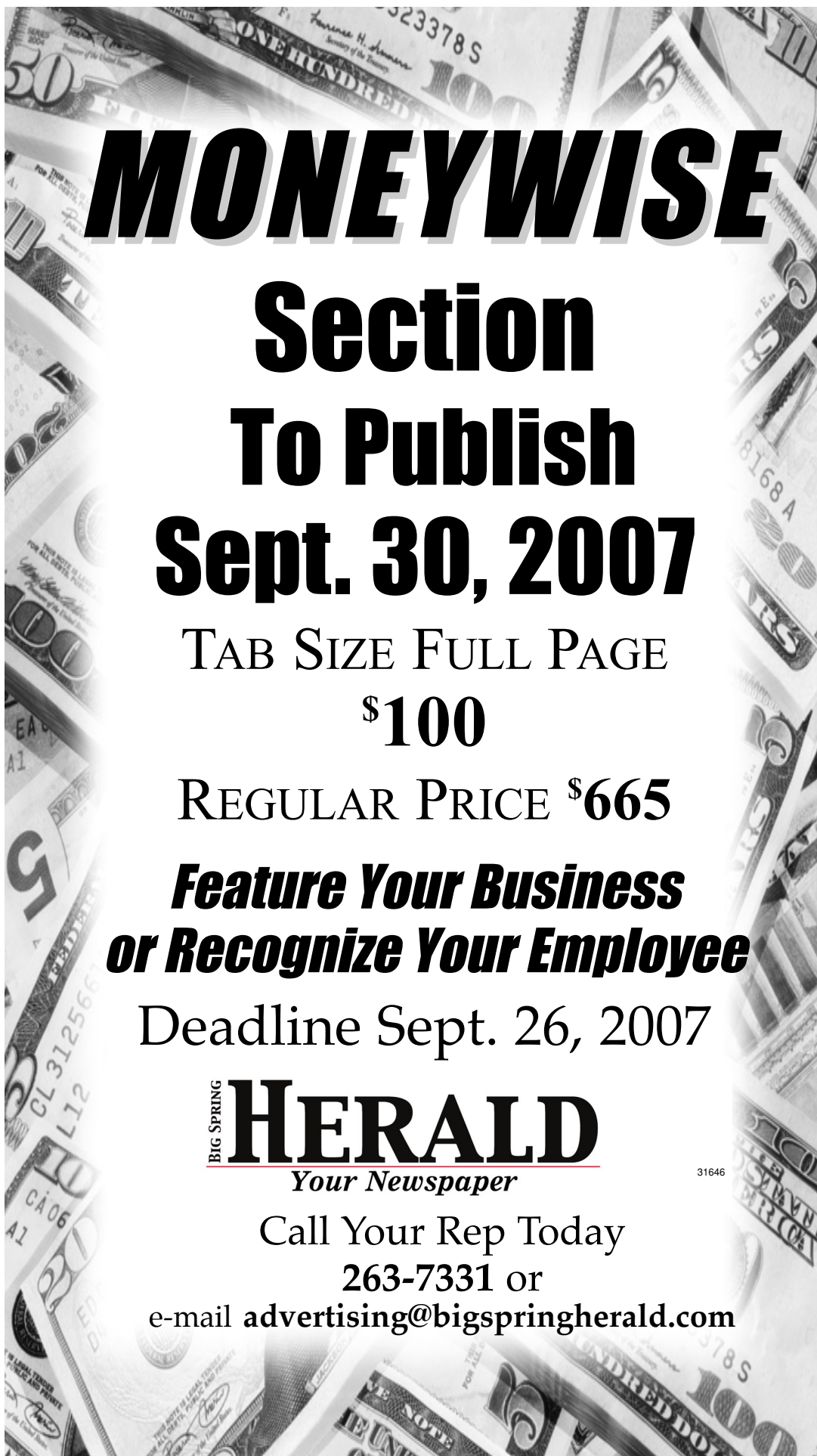


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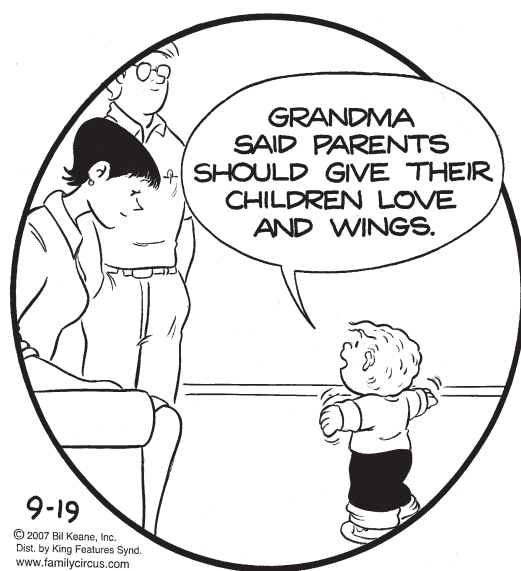
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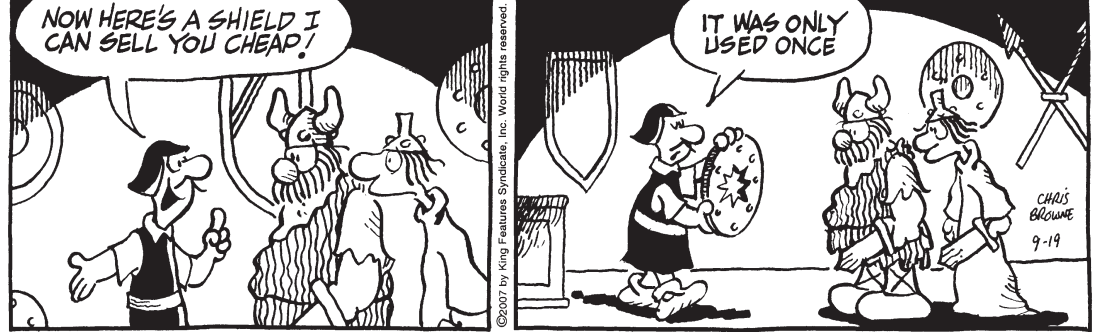
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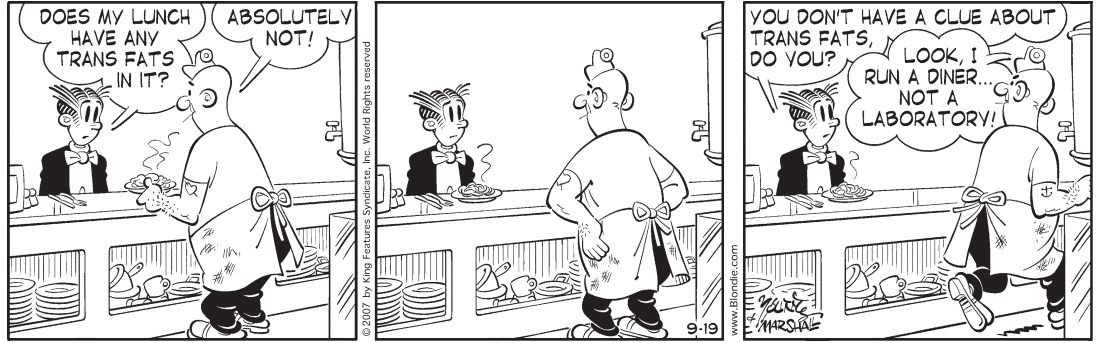


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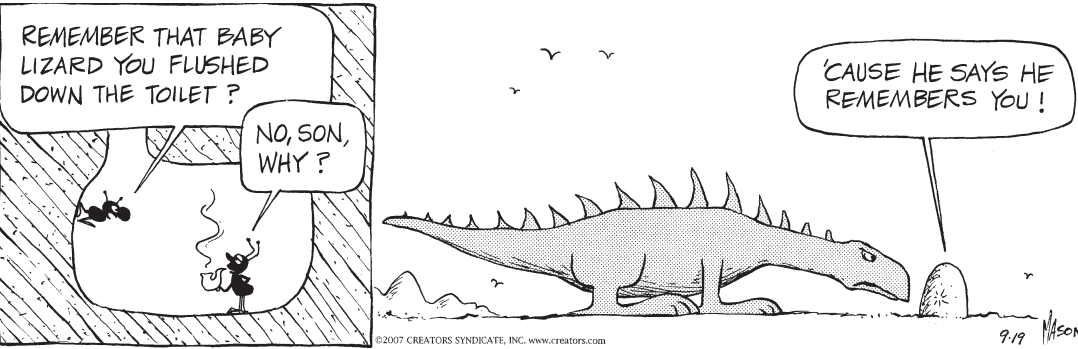
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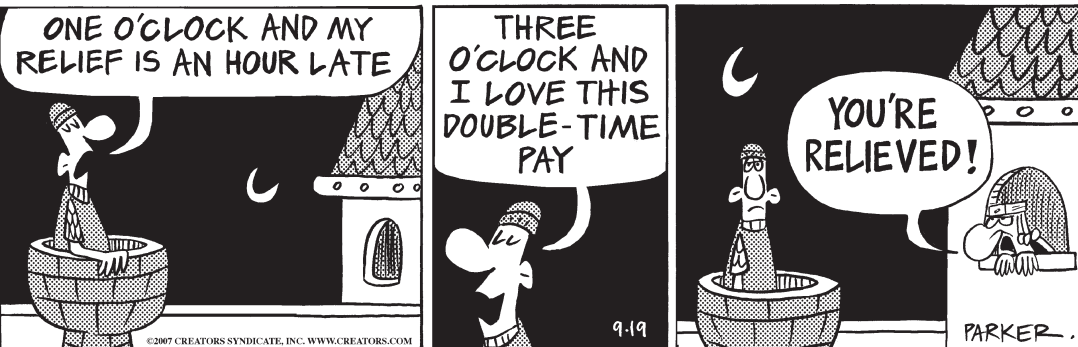
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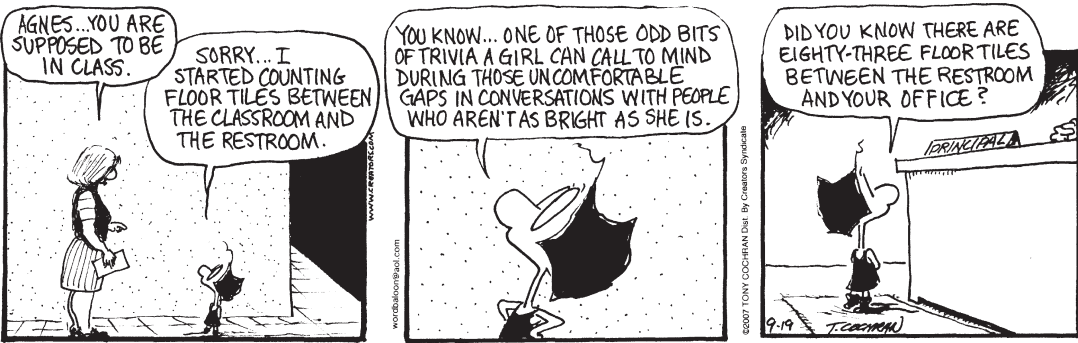
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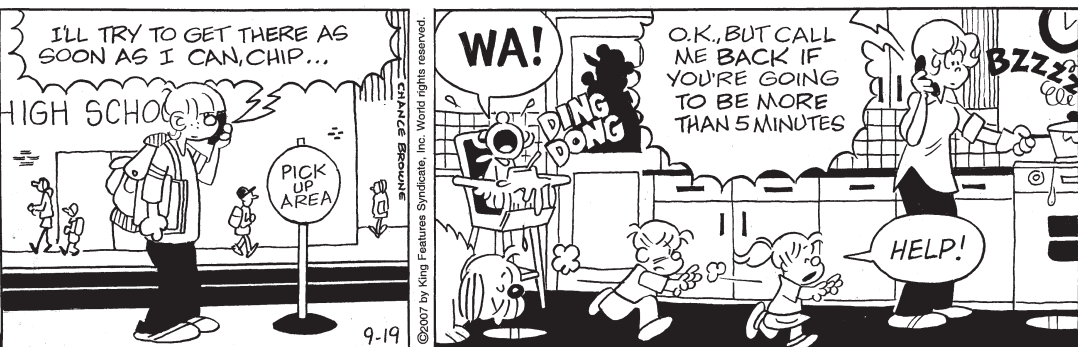
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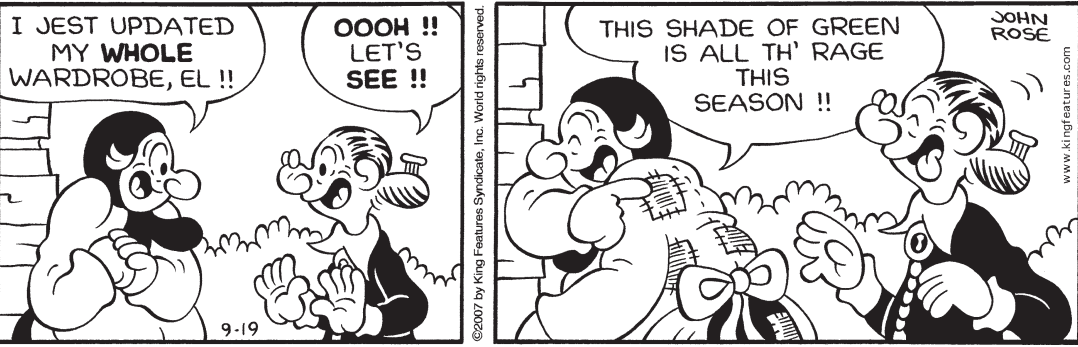
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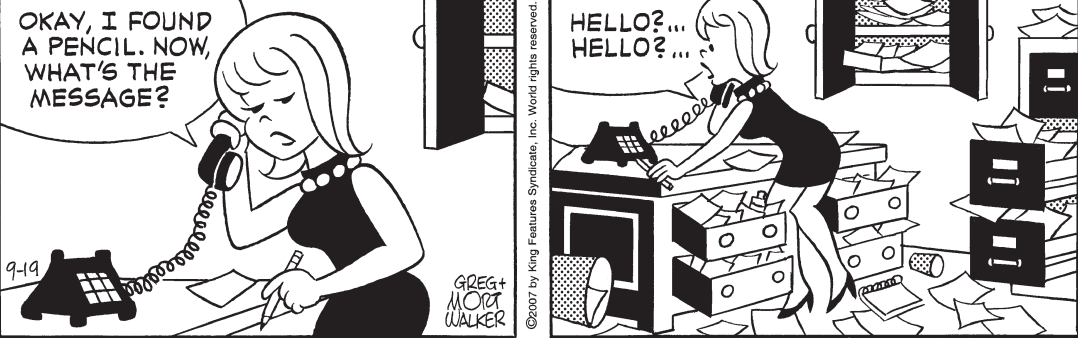
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 19, the 262nd day of 2007. There are 103 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 19, 1796, President George Washington's farewell address was published. In it, the nation's first chief executive wrote, "Observe good faith and justice towards all Nations; cultivate peace and harmony with all."

On this date: In 1777, during the Revolutionary War, American soldiers won the first Battle of Saratoga.

In 1783, Jacques Etienne Montgolfier launched a duck, a sheep and a rooster aboard a hot-air balloon at Versailles in France.

In 1881, the 20th president of the United States, James A. Garfield, died 2 1/2 months after being shot by Charles Guiteau; Chester

Alan Arthur became president.

In 1907, Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. was born in Suffolk, Va.

In 1934, Bruno Hauptmann was arrested in New York and charged with the kidnap-murder of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr.

In 1945, Nazi radio propagandist William Joyce, known as "Lord Haw-Haw," was convicted of treason and sentenced to death by a British court.

In 1957, the United States conducted its first contained underground nuclear test, code-named "Rainier," in the Nevada desert.

In 1959, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev reacted angrily during a visit to Los Angeles upon being told that, for security reasons, he would not be allowed to visit Disneyland.

In 1960, Cuban leader Fidel Castro, in New York to visit the United Nations, angrily checked out of the Shelburne Hotel in a dispute with the management; Castro accepted an invitation to stay at the Hotel Theresa in Harlem.

In 1986, federal health officials announced that the experimental drug AZT would be made available to thousands of AIDS patients.

Today's Birthdays: Author Roger Angell is 87. Former Defense Secretary Harold Brown is 80. Actor Adam West is 77. Actor David McCallum is 74. Singer-songwriter Paul Williams is 67. Singer Bill Medley is 67. Singer Sylvia Tyson (Ian and Sylvia) is 67. Golfer Jane Blalock is 62. Singer David Bromberg is 62. Actor Randolph Mantooth is 62. Singer Freda Payne is 62. Rock singer-musician Lol Creme (10cc) is 60.

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Answer to previous puzzle

Grid of words for a crossword puzzle: STAMP, SPAT, TEAS, AOLER, LULU, HOSE, GRANOLABAR, UNIT, SEN, MUMS, KANSAS, COBS, WELD, SEDATE, JAYLENO, ELOPED, ELS, RAFT, ABOUT, ELK, BITE, TOGA, OWL, GROVES, WHITNEY, RELENT, NEAR, PACT, CASHAW, AUTO, GAS, OREO, HAMMERLOCK, SILO, IHOP, DELHI, TALK, MASS, SAFES.

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13x13 crossword grid with numbered starting points for words.

News in brief

Judge amends suicide ruling in death of Central Texas teacher

WACO (AP) — A justice of the peace who ruled that a Hewitt teacher committed suicide said he will amend her death certificate to show the cause was undetermined.

Judge Bill Martin held an inquest into the April 2006 death of Kari Lynn Baker, 31, at the request of her parents, who have filed a wrongful death lawsuit against her minister husband.

Last year, Martin ruled after consulting with police that Baker died from an overdose of sleeping pills in her home in Hewitt, a Waco suburb. He later ordered that her body be exhumed for an autopsy.

Baker's parents, James and Linda Dulin, filed a wrongful death lawsuit against Matt Baker, alleging that the former pastor was having an affair, killed his wife and made her death appear to be a suicide. No trial date has been set for the civil lawsuit.

The Dulins have also convinced the Hewitt Police Department to reopen its investigation.

Matt Baker's attorney, James Rainey, said Martin's Tuesday announcement does not rule out suicide or accidental death.

"The finding was not a surprise to us," Rainey said. "The autopsy made the same finding, and there has never been any evidence to suggest any kind of foul play."

Linda Dulin said Martin's ruling "confirmed to some degree" the family's belief that her daughter did not kill herself.

She said the family has hired experts in toxicology, crime scenes and other fields for their investigation in the civil case. The information has been shared with police, she said.

"We are committed to this case, and we are not going to rest until justice prevails," she said.

Hewitt police Capt. Tuck Saunders said Martin's amended ruling has little bearing on the department's ongoing investigation.

"We are going to review all the information we've got

and see where the facts take us," Saunders said.

Baker, a former pastor at a Baptist church in Lorena and chaplain at the Waco Center for Youth, has since moved with his daughters to Kerrville, where he is now a teacher and part-time church youth minister.

Body of missing nursing student pulled from river

NEW BRAUNFELS (AP) — The body of a 25-year-old nursing student who went missing last month has been found inside her car submerged in the Guadalupe River, authorities said.

Jessica Birge, of Garden Ridge, went missing Aug. 11 after a day of tubing on the Comal River with her friends. She was last seen driving alone as she departed a river lodge in Gruene.

Police in a helicopter spotted Birge's vehicle Tuesday, the first day the Guadalupe's flow had dropped low enough to allow boats and divers better access.

The Comal County Sheriff's Office said the death appears to be an accident, but foul play has not been ruled out. An autopsy was ordered.

Suspect in Dallas triple slaying arrested

DALLAS (AP) — A triple slaying suspect led police on a slow-speed chase Tuesday night before being arrested for the weekend stabbing death of his wife and her two young sons.

Robert Sparks, 33, fired shots as he fled in a vehicle he was accused of stealing earlier in the evening, police said. There were no injuries. Police apprehended Sparks when he became trapped on a dead-end residential street.

On Saturday, police found 30-year-old Chare Agnew and her sons — 10-year-old Raeqwon Agnew and 9-year-old Harold Sublet — stabbed to death in their Dallas home.

Two teenage girls were found bound and gagged in a closet. They were taken to the hospital and then

released.

Dallas Police Chief David Kunkle said Sparks will be charged with three counts of capital murder and two counts of aggravated sexual assault.

Youngest Haltom City burn victim dies

HALTOM CITY (AP) — A woman accused of dousing her three daughters with gasoline and setting them on fire will be charged with capital murder after the youngest child died Tuesday, police said.

The 3-year-old, whose name was not released by police, died after being taken off life support, Haltom City police said. Her two older sisters, ages 5 and 7, remained hospitalized in Dallas, but their conditions were not being released.

Their mother, 29-year-old Alysha V. Green, will be charged with capital murder, police said. She already has been charged with serious bodily injury to a child, which carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

Authorities said Green put her daughters in a closet, poured gas on them and set them on fire Saturday.

Iraq Study Group co-chair says success defined by stability

FORT WORTH (AP) — Despite some improvements since the U.S. troop surge, success in Iraq won't be achieved until the country has become stable, the co-chairman of the Iraq Study Group said Tuesday.

"The real question is: Is the surge bringing about political settlement? It is not thus far, and the hope is that it will in the future," former Democratic U.S. Rep. Lee Hamilton of Indiana told The Associated Press before speaking to a crowd of more than 300 at Texas Christian University.

Hamilton's comments come a week after Gen. David Petraeus, America's top commander in Iraq, told Congress about his recommendation that U.S. troop levels decline starting this month. He said the recent buildup of American soldiers has yielded enough good results that he foresees a gradual transition to Iraqi security control.

Former astronaut in court

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Former astronaut Lisa Nowak returned to court Wednesday to ask a judge to throw out evidence in her assault and attempted kidnapping case over an alleged attack on a romantic rival in a NASA love triangle.

Nowak's attorney, Donald Lykkebak, wants Circuit Court Judge Marc L. Lubet to bar use of her lengthy arrest interview and not allow prosecutors to use evidence found in her car. He argued she did not consent to the search and was not advised of her rights before the interview.

Nowak's trial is scheduled to begin April 7 and Lykkebak is expected to use a temporary insanity defense, saying Nowak suffered from major depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, insomnia and "brief psychotic disorder with marked stressors."

Nowak, 44, was arrested in February after allegedly confronting Colleen Shipman, the girlfriend of a former space shuttle pilot Nowak had been seeing. Nowak allegedly stalked Shipman at the Orlando airport, then attacked her with pepper spray. Shipman was able to drive away.

Police said Nowak had driven nearly 1,000 miles from Houston to Orlando, using diapers to avoid taking breaks. Her lawyer says the diaper claim is not true.

Police said that when Nowak was arrested she had a duffel bag that contained a steel mallet, a 4-inch knife and a pellet gun.

Nowak told police she just wanted to talk to Shipman to find out "where she stands" in the love triangle. She was dismissed from the astronaut corps a month after her arrest.

The married mother of three has pleaded not guilty to attempted kidnapping, battery and burglary with assault.

Lubet previously approved a defense request to remove Nowak's GPS ankle monitoring bracelet.

Defense begins in polygamist's trial

ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP) — Defense attorneys for a polygamous-sect leader charged with sex crimes in the arranged marriage of a 14-year-old girl and her older cousin began their case Tuesday, trying to debunk the contention that his church places women in submissive roles.

Warren Jeffs, 51, president of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, is accused of using his influence to push the girl into a marriage with her 19-year-old cousin in 2001 and forcing her to have unwanted sex. He is charged with two counts of rape as an accomplice.

The prosecution ended its presentation, and then Jeffs' lawyers called nine

church members as witnesses, arguing against the idea that men and church leaders have more power than women. Testimony from the young bride, now 21, and her two sisters, as well as sermons from Jeffs played for the jury, have suggested that women are without a voice in FLDS marriages and that they must submit to their husbands "mind, body and soul."

Defense witness and church member Jennie Pipkin, 26, told jurors her experience was different. She testified she twice sought Jeffs' counsel in 2005 after unwanted sexual advances from her husband. She said she became "empowered" to ask Jeffs for help after reading one of his sermons that directs men to

engage only in sexual relations that are invited by their wives.

"I realized that I was supposed to be in charge. The invitation for sexual relations is supposed to be mine," said Pipkin, who runs her own Internet marketing business and has five children.

Another witness, Keneth "Ben" Thomas, said force is not taught in FLDS culture. He said

that men hold authority but that they are taught to lead with the best interests of the family.

"I have no right to force my wife to do anything," said Thomas, 34.

The six women and three men testified they did not know their spouses before their weddings. The women said they asked Warren Jeffs' father, Rulon Jeffs, who preceded him as "prophet," to find suitable

mates.

None were younger than 17 when they were married. At least one woman married a polygamist. Some waited weeks, even years, before having sex — and all said they sought counseling.

"He asked us, 'Are you coming together physically?' And it was pretty obvious that we weren't," said Joanna Keate, 25, who delayed sex for nearly two years.

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News in brief

Attorney seeks O.J. Simpson's release in Las Vegas sports memorabilia theft case

LAS VEGAS (AP) — One of the new charges against O.J. Simpson could carry a possible life sentence, but the former NFL star's immediate concern is getting out of jail while he awaits trial.

Simpson's lawyer said he will make a plea for Simpson's release Wednesday, a day after prosecutors charged him with 11 criminal offenses, including first-degree kidnapping, which carries the possible life sentence. The charges are tied to a confrontation in a Las Vegas hotel room last week in which Simpson said he tried to reclaim sports memorabilia.

He has been held since Sunday in protective custody in a single 7-foot by 14-foot jail cell in a unit with 36 other inmates, separated from more than 3,000 other detainees in the downtown Las Vegas jail, police said.

Simpson's lawyer, Yale Galanter, said he planned to ask for Simpson's release on his own recognizance.

Lack of oversight claimed for private US security companies operating in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The fog of war keeps getting thicker. The Iraqi government's decision to temporarily ban the security company Blackwater USA after a fatal shooting of civilians in Baghdad reveals a growing web of rules governing weapons-bearing private contractors but few signs U.S. agencies are aggressively enforcing them.

Nearly a year after a law was passed holding contracted employees to the same code of justice as military personnel, the Bush administration has not published guidance on how military lawyers should do that, according to Peter Singer, a security industry expert at the Brookings Institution in Washington.

A Congressional Research Service report published in July said security contractors in Iraq operate under rules issued by the United States, Iraq and international entities such as the United Nations.

All have their limitations, however. A court-martial of a private-sector employee likely would be challenged on constitutional grounds, the research service said, while Iraqi courts do not have the jurisdiction to prosecute contractors without U.S. permission.

U.S. bans diplomatic ground movements in Iraq outside protected Green Zone

BAGHDAD (AP) — The United States on Tuesday suspended all land travel by U.S. diplomats and other civilian officials in Iraq outside Baghdad's heavily fortified Green Zone, amid mounting public outrage over the alleged killing of civilians by the U.S. Embassy's security provider Blackwater USA.

The move came even as the Iraqi government appeared to back down from statements Monday that it had permanently revoked Blackwater's license and would order its 1,000 personnel to leave the country — depriving American diplomats of security protection essential to operating in Baghdad.

"We are not intending to stop them and revoke their license indefinitely but we do need them to respect the law and the regulation here in Iraq," government spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh told CNN.

Details of the weekend shootings haven't been released, but the New York Times reported late Tuesday that a preliminary review by Iraq's Ministry of Interior found that violence erupted as Blackwater security guards fired at a car when it did not heed a policeman's call to stop, killing a couple and their infant.

Top former Khmer Rouge leader arrested in Cambodia, to appear before tribunal

PAILIN, Cambodia (AP) — Police arrested the top surviving Khmer Rouge leader Wednesday, serving 82-year-old Nuon Chea with a warrant on charges related to his role in the 1970s regime blamed for the deaths of 1.7 million people.

Nuon Chea was then flown to the capital, Phnom Penh, where he was to appear before a U.N.-backed genocide tribunal.

Some have feared that Nuon Chea and other former Khmer Rouge leaders may die before ever seeing a courtroom. News of his arrest was welcomed by Theary Seng, a Cambodian-American who lost relatives to the Khmer Rouge atrocities.

"Even if we don't see a conviction, at least we have witnessed a process" of searching for justice, said Theary Seng, who is the director of Center for Social Development, a nonprofit group monitoring development of the Khmer Rouge tribunal.

Police surrounded Nuon Chea's home in Pailin in northwestern Cambodia near the Thai border early Wednesday and took him into custody as his son and dozens of onlookers gathered to watch in silence, witnesses said.

Condoleezza Rice still vague about agenda for Bush's Mideast peace meeting

SHANNON, Ireland (AP) — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Tuesday a U.S.-sponsored Mideast peace conference this fall will confront "critical issues" in the six-decade conflict between Israel and the Palestinians, but she remained vague about what is on the agenda and who will attend.

"Nobody wants to have a meeting where people simply come and sit and talk and talk and talk," Rice said

en route to a quick visit with Israeli and Palestinian leaders. "We want to advance the cause," of peace between enemies.

President Bush in July called for a new conference to break the deadlock in the Mideast peace process, but the lack of an official agenda, location and timing for the meeting worries Arab leaders the United States wants to recruit as backers for renewed peace talks leading to an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel.

With only two months to organize the session, expected in mid-November, the United States has not issued invitations to Arab states or others and has been unclear about what it wants to accomplish.

More details emerge of the horrors allegedly endured by woman in W. Virginia torture case

LOGAN, W.Va. (AP) — The list of horrors allegedly endured by a woman at the hands of six people in a remote trailer grew during the suspects' court hearings — leaving the woman's mother sobbing.

Reading Tuesday from a statement 20-year-old Megan Williams gave deputies the day she was rescued from the ramshackle home, a sheriff's deputy said she had been stabbed with what she described as a butcher knife and beaten with wooden sticks and fly swatters.

She said she was sexually assaulted, doused with hot water, forced to eat animal feces, and taunted with racial slurs. Among the new allegations, she said hot wax was poured on her.

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